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propriation is within the limits of efficient administration. Therefore, the suggested expenditure of $32,500 for health purposes may be considered very reasonable. The per capita cost of such a State department of health would be approximately $0.05.

Under this arrangement it is proposed that the diagnostic laboratories remain, as heretofore, under the supervision of the University of North Dakota, yet nominally connected with the State department of health. The funds necessary for the operation of the laboratories would be included in the University's budget.

The hotel inspector, being paid from the fees collected, has not been included in the estimates. However, this inspector should be carried as an employee of the division of sanitary engineering, in which section matters concerning sanitation logically belong.

ITEMIZED ESTIMATE OF COSTS OF PROPOSED STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IN NORTH DAKOTA.

While it is not possible to prepare a budget that will absolutely meet all requirements, yet an estimate of costs has been prepared with a view of indicating the approximate expenditures for various purposes.

Purpose of expenditure.	Amount.
Per diems, members of advisory council	$300
Traveling expenses of council members	500
Salaries:	
State health officer	5,000
Chief, division of vital statistics	2,400
Chief, division of preventable diseases	3,500
Chief, division of child hygiene and public health nursing	3,000
Advisory nurse, division of public health nursing	2,000
Chief, division of sanitary engineering	3,000
Clerical force	4,500
Traveling expenses	4,500
Printing	2,000
Stationery and office supplies	1,000
Postage	500
Telephone and telegraph service	200
Express, freight, drayage, etc	100
Estimated total	32,500

(NOTE.—An estimate for the rent of quarters has not been included. It is proposed that the State provide suitable quarters, either in the capitol in Bismarck or in a suitable building in the same city.)

ORDINANCES FOR PROTECTION OF FOOD UPHELD.

Certain sections of the code of the city of Birmingham, Ala., prohibited the sale of contaminated or adulterated food, required that food places should be screened to prevent the entrance of flies, and also required that food offered for sale should be kept indoors.

In a suit to enjoin the enforcement of these provisions of the city code, the Supreme Court of Alabama held [1] that the city had the authority to enact ordinances designed to prevent the sale of contaminated food and also held that the particular sections in question were valid.

SOME PUBLICATIONS SUITABLE FOR GENERAL DISTRIBUTION.

There is given below a list of some nontechnical publications issued by the Bureau of the Public Health Service, covering a wide variety of subjects and suitable for general distribution.

The "Keep Well" publications constitute a series of small pamphlets which present important health facts in popular form.

The most important articles that appear each week in Public Health Reports are reprinted in pamphlet form, making possible a wider and more economical distribution of articles that are of interest to the general public.

The Public Health bulletins have proved especially valuable for general distribution in connection with campaigns for health improvement, and are useful to health officers as an aid to the solution of many local health problems.

All of the publications listed, except those marked with an asterisk (*), are available for free distribution and, as long as the supply lasts, may be obtained by addressing the Surgeon General, United States Public Health Service, Washington, D. C. Those publications marked with an asterisk are not available for free distribution, but may be purchased from the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C., at the prices noted. (Send no remittances to the Public Health Service.)

Keep Well Series.

1. The Road to Health. Concise directions for keeping well—Table of average weights for men and women. 1919. 16 pages.
*3. How to Avoid Tuberculosis. 1919. 7 pages. 5 cents.
*4. Diphtheria. How to recognize it, keep from catching it, and treat those who do catch it. 1919. 15 pages. 5 cents.
*5. The Safe Vacation. Selection of a place to go and what to do in case of sudden accident or illness. 1919. 32 pages. 5 cents.
6. Cancer Facts which Every Adult Should Know. 1919. 30 pages.
*7. Vaccination: An Excellent Form of Health Insurance. 1919. 8 pages. 5 cents.
8. Motherhood: Helpful Advice to the Expectant Mother. 1919. 7 pages.
9. Breast Feeding Her Baby. Points to be remembered by all mothers. 1919. 7 pages.
10. Bottle Feeding for Babies. Concise guide for mothers. 1919. 9 pages.
*11. Malnutrition: Helpful Advice to Mothers. 1920. 12 pages. 5 cents.
*12. Flat Foot and Other Foot Troubles. 1920. 16 pages. 5 cents.
*13. Good Teeth. 1921. 16 pages. 5 cents.

[1] Barrett et al. *v.* Rietta et al., 93 South. 636.